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Masaru AISOU et al.

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Application No.: 10/774,013

Examiner: Christina Marie Russell

Filed: February 6, 2004

Art Unit: 2837

For: MIXING SYSTEM CONTROL METHOD,  
APPARATUS AND PROGRAM

### AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

### INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated September 21, 2005, for which a response is due on December 21, 2005, and for which a two-month extension is requested to extend the time for response from December 21, 2005 to February 21, 2006, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the specification begin on page 2.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3.

There are no amendments to the drawings.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11.